NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FUNDED UNDER THE ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY ACT (AEFLA) 1998 (WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT, TITLE II)

The Utah State Office of Education (USOE) announces the availability of one-year federal grants for: (1) English for Speakers of Other Languages, Adult Basic Education, and High School Completion; (2) English Language/Civics Education; and (3) Prison/Institutionalized. Eligible agencies include local education agencies (school districts), community-based organizations of demonstrated effectiveness, volunteer literacy organizations of demonstrated effectiveness, institutions of higher education, public or private nonprofit agencies, libraries, public housing authorities, nonprofit institutions that have not previously been listed as having the ability to provide literacy services to adults and families, or a consortium of agencies.

The term "adult education" means services or instruction below the post-secondary level for individuals who have attained 16 year of age; who are not enrolled or required to be enrolled in secondary school under State law; who lack sufficient mastery of basic educational skills to enable the individuals to function effectively in society; who do not have a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent, or have not achieved an equivalent level of academic performance; or who are unable to speak, read, or write the English language.

A mandatory Technical Assistance Bidders' Conference will be held March 23, 2010, at the Nebo School District Grant Building, 105 South 400 East, Springville, Utah from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

A letter of "Intent to Apply," application materials, policies, and criteria for submitting proposals are available on the USOE Adult Education website at http://www.schools.utah.gov/adulted/default.htm, under the "2010 AEFLA Competition Materials" link. Completed applications must be returned to the USOE, Adult Education Services by 5:00 p.m. on May 14, 2010 to be eligible for 2010-2011 funding. Award announcements will be made in June. Questions should be directed to Marty Kelly, State Adult Education Services Coordinator, (801) 538-7821.